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SUBJ: AMERICAN SPEAKERS ADDRESSING NZ ENERGY CONFERENCE

1. NEW ZEALAND ENERGY CONFERENCE BEING HELD LATE MAY. PRIME MINISTER KIRK TO OPEN CONFERENCE. PARTICIPANTS WILL INCLUDE GNZ OFFICIALS, UNIVERSITY PROFESSORS AND DR. H.E. KENDALL, MIT PROFESSOR OF NUCLEAR PHYSICS; DR. J.R. CLARK WITH CONSERVATION FOUNDATION WASHDC; AND DR. E.R. HABICHT, DIRECTOR ENERGY PROGRAM FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENSE FUND.

3. THE SECRETARY OF THE NEW ZEALAND ATOMIC ENERGY COMITE J.T. O'LEARY, A STRONG PROPOENT OF NEW ZEALAND NUCLEAR POWER GENERATION CONCERNED THAT U.S. PRESENTATIONS MAY REINFORCE OPPONENTS OF NUCLEAR POWER. HE IS ANXIOUS TO GET SOME BACKGROUND ON THE U.S. SPEAKERS KNOWN POSITIONS ON SUBJECT. HE BELIEVES PAUL TURNER OF THE ATOMIC INDUSTRIAL FORUM, NEW YORK, CAN PROVIDE

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THIS.

2. NUCLEAR POWER IS SENSITIVE SUBJECT IN NEW ZEALAND.
PRIME MINISTER AMONG OTHERS IS KNOWN TO HAVE GRAVE
MISGIVINGS. HOWEVER, THERE IS GROWING ACCEPTANCE
NEW ZEALAND EVENTUALLY NEEDS NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS.
RECENT PRESS ARTICLES INCREASINGLY POSITIVE. MINISTER
FOR ELECTRICITY SAID RECENTLY THAT NEW ZEALAND MUST START
INTENSIVE SYSTEMS STUDIES IMMEDIATELY FOR GNZ DECISION
BEFORE 1977.

3. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION
AVAILABLE ON POSITIONS THREE U.S. PARTICIPANTS.
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